

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of Gerhard TIVIG, et al.)	Examiner: Nancy BITAR
Serial No.: 10/595,431)	Art Unit: 2624
Filed: January 3, 2007)	Confirmation: 9506
For: METHOD OF AUTOMATICALLY DISPLAYING MEDICAL MEASUREMENT DATA)	
Date of Last Office Action: October 28, 2009)	
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**CONDITIONAL
PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL
OF PREMATURE FINALITY**

Commissioner For Patents
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Dear Sir:

In the accompanying amendment, the applicant is requesting that the Examiner voluntarily withdraw the Finality of the Office Action of October 28, 2009 as being premature. If the Examiner fails to withdraw the Finality of the Office Action of October 28, 2009, then the applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of the Finality of the Office Action of October 28, 2009.

The Finality of the Office Action is premature, because the Examiner issued a new ground of rejection which was not necessitated by the applicant's amendment of June 29, 2009.

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

I certify that this **CONDITIONAL PETITION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF PREMATURE FINALITY** and accompanying documents in connection with U.S. Serial No. 10/595,431 are being filed on the date indicated below by electronic transmission with the United States Patent and Trademark Office via the electronic filing system (EFS-Web).

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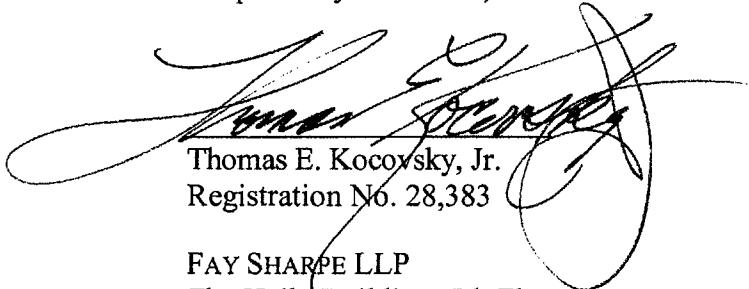
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Specifically, Amendment D of June 29, 2009 made no substantive amendment to independent claim 15 or claims 14, 16-19, 25, or 26 dependent therefrom. The only "amendment" to claim 15 was the correction of a typographical error, particularly the deletion of a stray punctuation mark in a location which was grammatically incorrect and whose removal did not alter the meaning of claim 15. Nonetheless, the Examiner issued a new ground of rejection against claim 15 and claims 14, 16-19, 25, and 26 dependent therefrom.

Because claim 15 and claims 14, 16-19, 25, and 26 were not substantively amended, the Examiner's citation of a new reference and issuance of a new ground of rejection was not necessitated by the "amendment" of claim 15 in the Amendment D of June 29, 2009. Accordingly, it is submitted that the finality of the Office Action of October 28, 2009 is premature and should be withdrawn.

The applicant hereby requests that the finality of the Office Action of October 28, 2009 be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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